

United States Forest Service, Fort Jones
328 Bridge Street
Fort Jones, California
Case No. 1TSI100

Notice of Proposed No Further Action related to petroleum hydrocarbon discharge.
Comment Period ends **February 17, 2003**

Problem Description:

The USFS Fort Jones site is located at 328 Bridge Street, Fort Jones, Siskiyou County. One 4,000-gallon gasoline underground storage tank (UST) was removed from the site on August 5, 1993. Soil contamination was discovered during the UST removal process.

Interim Actions Completed:

Four days after the tank was removed approximately 175 cubic yards of obviously contaminated soil was removed from the south side of the UST excavation. The contaminated soil was hauled offsite for treatment and disposal and the excavation was backfilled with clean soil. Soil samples were collected from the bottom of the excavation following the removal of the obviously contaminated soil. Groundwater had seeped into the excavation and a water sample was also collected. No gasoline constituents were detected in the soil samples and the water sample contained gasoline, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes at concentrations of 2, 600 parts-per-billion, 2.4 ppb, 0.68 ppb, and 36 ppb respectively.

On June 19, 1997, a site investigation was conducted to evaluate the extent of groundwater contamination around the UST. The investigation involved drilling four borings around the former UST. Groundwater was encountered at depths of 8 to 9 feet and temporary monitoring wells were installed in the borings. Groundwater samples were collected from the temporary wells and no gasoline constituents were detected in the samples. However, the laboratory reporting limits for the gasoline analysis were not acceptable and the holding times for the gasoline samples had also expired prior to the samples being analyzed. Regional Water Board staff required that groundwater be resampled.

On February 2, 1999, four borings were installed around the former USTs and groundwater samples were collected from each boring. Gasoline was not detected in any of the groundwater samples.

Proposed Action:

This site is proposed for no further action.

MtBE Status: MtBE was not detected in groundwater samples collected from four borings installed within 50 feet of the former UST.

Unless comments are received with significant new information, Regional Water Board staff plans to concur with no further action upon conclusion of the comment period. For further information regarding this site, please contact Dean Prat at (707) 576-2801.